GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
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CSD DEPOTS IN HIMACHAL PRADESH
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has proposal to set up Canteen Stores Department (CSD) depot in the State of Himachal Pradesh in view of the number of servicemen, ex-servicemen and their families residing there;

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether any request/representation has been received by his Ministry from the Government of Himachal Pradesh or any organization to set up CSD depot the district headquarters at Una in the State;

(d) if so, the action taken so far in this regard; and

(e) the time by which the CSD depot is likely to be sanctioned/ set up at Una in Himachal Pradesh?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) to (d): Government of Himachal Pradesh has requested this Ministry for setting up of a CSD Depot in the State in view of the number of Servicemen, Ex-servicemen and their families residing there.

Land measuring approximately 188 kanals had been offered by Himachal Pradesh Government in this regard. However, the same was not found to be suitable, since some of it included khud/nallah which is prone to flooding during rainy season.

(e) It is not possible at this stage to anticipate the time likely to be taken for setting up the Depot at Una in view of the fact that the Government of Himachal Pradesh is yet to identify another piece of suitable land. Once a suitable alternate land is offered by the State Government the proposal will be considered depending upon availability of budget and manpower.